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## 354 Mare Street

1 message

Reply-To: licensing@hackney.gov.uk

To Hackney Council

I wish to object to the application for a premises licence for 354 Mare Street, London E8 1HR.

It is my view that the hours should be restricted to 2300 on all days on grounds of prevention of crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance.

While in a shopping street, the premises are also close to homes including more than 60 apartments in the Hackney Gardens development (grounds of St John at Hackney church), which will shortly be occupied. They are in an area rife with anti-social behavior at all times of the day and night. Curtailing the hours would minimise the nuisance.

The issue arose recently in planning application no 2019/3436. The Metropolitan Police advised the applicant that access from Mare Street to St John at Hackney should be gated after dusk to avoid anti-social behaviour. I will be a resident of that development when it is completed.

This is what the Council's planning officer wrote:

"... securing the space after dusk would be beneficial in preventing criminal and anti-social behaviour..."

Also later, he wrote ... (my italics): "In addition a gate to the southern entrance of the proposed site from the Narroway has been moved closer to the public highway, thus preventing public access to an area of the site adjacent to St Augustine's Tower. This is not considered to be a concern as this area is poorly surveyed due to the high churchyard walls. There would be no public benefit in accessing this space and its unsurveyed character <u>may</u> <u>attract anti social behaviour."</u>

(Note St Augustine's Tower is immediately behind the application site.)

Thank you

Poole Street